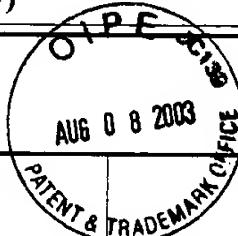


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
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In Re Application Of: Desgroseillers et al.



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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of May 16, 2003 in the above-identified application.  
 Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month  Two months  Three months  Four months  Five months

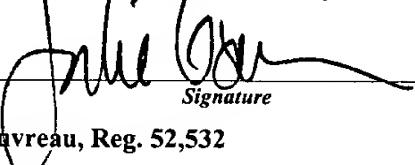
from: June 16, 2003 *Date* until: August 16, 2003 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.  
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$205 and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1742.  
 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 07-1742. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

  
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Dated: August 7, 2003

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on August 7, 2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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